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SUBJECT: GAZANKULU HOMELAND REJECTS SAG CONSOLIDATION PROPOSALS

1. ACCORDING TO REPORT IN MAY 16 RAND DAILY MAIL UNDER GIYANI DATELINE, GAZANKULU CHIEF MINISTER NTSANWISI SPEAKING AT OPENING OF NEW SESSION OF HOMELAND LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY TERMED SAG'S FINAL PROPOSALS FOR GAZANKULU CONSOLIDATION "DETRIMENTAL TO INTEREST OF OUR PEOPLE" AND HENCE UNACCEPTABLE. DISCUSSING HOMELAND GOVERNMENT'S CONSOLIDATION NEGOTIATIONS WITH SAG, NTSANWISI EXPLAINED THAT ALTHOUGH FAIRLY LARGE AMOUNTS OF AGRICULTURAL LAND HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY GAZANKULU, NO WHITE TOWNS WERE INCLUDED. HE STATED ONLY AREAS OFFERED GAZANKULU BY SAG WERE "NOTHING BUT A STAGING GROUND FOR MIGRATORY LABORERS FOR WHITE FARMS AND WHITE HOMELANDS, A DUMPING GROUND FOR DIS-POSSESSED, AND A FUTURE BREEDING PLACE FOR GUERRILLAS." HE CONTINUED THAT UNDER SAG PROPOSALS SOME OF HIS PEOPLE WOULD BE REMOVED FROM AREAS WHERE THEY HAD BUILT HOMES AND CREATED SOME REASONABLE INFRASTRUCTURE TO WATERLESS AREAS LACKING ANY INFRA-STRUCTURE. HE CONCLUDED THAT NO SELF-RESPECTING PEOPLE COULD

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ACCEPT SUCH " LETHAL BLOWS" WITHOUT REACTING, AND THAT GAZANKULU
WOULD CONTINUE TO PRESS FOR AN EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF LAND.

2. COMMENT - NTSANWISI' S STATEMENT MEANS THAT WITH EXCEPTION
OF VENDALAND AND INSIGNIFICANT SOUTH SOTHO AND SWAZI HOMELANDS,
GOVERNMENTS OF TRANSVAAL AND FREE STATE HOMELAND AREAS HAVE
ALL UNEQUIVOCALLY AND STRONGLY REJECTED SAG' S CONSOLIDATION
PROPOSALS. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT.
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